

## MEET OUR RESIDENTS



### HULEAN BUTLER

Hulean Butler has always been a child of the Lord, and it is that faith that has led her on the path to helping others.

Hulean grew up in Warren, OH and was baptized at the age of seven. She attended Warren G. Harding High School and lettered in every sport that a girl could play including basketball, softball and track and field. She was a book worm and read four books each week (Her favorite is Moby Dick). Hulean received her nursing degree from Howard University in Washington DC and then moved to Cleveland to work at Mount Sinai where she assisted with opening floors 8,9, and 10 of the A building. She became the Director of Nursing at Dunbar Nursing Home. She was married to Clarence King and raised seven children—her husband and two of the children have passed away; however, she is blessed with 35 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Hulean is a huge fan of the Cleveland Cavs and Inidans and enjoys old westerns on Turner Classic TV. She enjoys reading mysteries and the Bible.

Because of her love of books, this energetic woman also graduated from Moody Bible College and The American Bible College as a minister and also received her certification in Biblical Leadership and Management from Progressive Baptist Union. She took classes in law from Case Western Reserve University.

Hulean has many accomplishments! She is a sister of AKA sorority, has recorded songs on the Nashboro Music Label, sung with the Prostonians of Cleveland on Channel 3 and is a Past National Grand Sovereign of the International Free and Accepted Modern Masons in order of the Eastern Staf. In addition, she is a member of an open door missionary Baptist Church and is involved in many associations of the Church. You can find Hulean every Tuesday leading a Bible Class at Indian Hills Apartments.

You can easily identify this talented resident by looking for the woman who sports different colored hats with beautifully painted long nails. Those nails are on the hands of a person who enjoys helping others.

### SHIRLEY GOODMAN



Shirley Goodman was a women and animal rights advocate before it became popular. Born in Cleveland, Shirley attended Cleveland Heights High School. She began her nursing training at Ohio University to take her prerequisites. Shirley is a dog-lover and had many growing up so it comes as no surprise that when she saw how badly the animals were being treated at a nearby dog shelter, she took it upon herself to find homes for all the dogs There was one dog which she wanted but was not allowed to keep the dog in the dorms so she made an arrangement with the nearby fairgrounds to have the dog stay there free of charge under the condition that she take care of the other animals and clean the horse stalls at the fairgrounds. She happily did so traveling back and forth six miles each day. To complete her nursing program, Shirley returned to Cleveland to attend Western Reserve University but became ill. She finalized her nursing degree at Jewish Hospital of Cincinnati.

While there, Shirley met her husband and they had a daughter. Unfortunately life was cruel, and when her daughter was five months old, Shirley unexpectedly lost her husband. She returned to Cleveland where her family was and began working at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital as a Pediatric Nurse. Shortly after returning to Cleveland, she married her neighbor and had three more children. Shirley has 13 grandchildren ages 9-24 years old. Her career spanned more than three decades and needed to retire due to illness.

In the early sixties during the civil rights movement, Shirley went to the churches in Cleveland to help provide medical care for women who could not afford it. She helped with pre-natal care and well-baby care. At that time, it was risky to go into the city but she wanted to help those less fortunate.

When asked what she considers her greatest accomplishments, Shirley acknowledges her children and her work. She is a great role model and an example of someone before her time supporting women's and animal rights.





# The Montefiore News

We wish the best for our residents who celebrated birthdays in October:

## Resident Birthdays in October

Judith Korman	10/2
Marietta Silvestro	10/2
Gilbert Winer	10/8
Mary Brown	10/10
Estella Davis	10/10
Basya Khauslender	10/10
Ella Greenspan	10/11
Irene Raeick	10/11
Miriam Ronis	10/14
Clarence Worthy	10/15
Shirley Rosenberg	10/17
Lisa Basch	10/23
Esther Greene	10/23
Eleanor Nicholas	10/29

As well as those who will be celebrating their birthdays this month:

## Resident Birthdays in November

Leonore Spitzer	11/04
Janet Betti	11/05
Darrell Kaback	11/06
Manya Rudman	11/07
Helen Emmerman	11/15
David Esraelian	11/15
Martin Barron	11/16
Olga Murzina	11/17
Emmett Geraci	11/22
Margaret Yonovitz	11/24
Lawrence Press	11/24
Sophonra Hill	11/27
Ralph Seed	11/29

## THE CEO CORNER FROM SETH VILENSKY



Seth recently met with the Cleveland Jewish News for a wide-ranging interview. Here is a small excerpt from the article:

**CJN:** You've been on the job almost six months now. How has it been going for you so far?

**Seth Vilensky:** I think we're off to a great start. I had a fantastic welcome into the Montefiore family and have been spending a lot of time getting to know all the people at Montefiore: the staff, our great residents and families, the volunteers, board members and donors – everybody who gives so much to the organization. We just have a great team here, dedicated, hard-working people, and I've learned a lot by listening to the people who've been here for so many years, especially the residents. It's a great feeling to work for a place where you have 250 people who call this place their home.

In my first 100 days, I made a real commitment to understanding and improving the experience of our residents and patients and their families. This has turned out to be a good decision for me, as it has given me a lot of insight into our customers and what their needs are and how we can better serve them as an organization.

**CJN:** What do you like best about your job?

**SV:** Probably the time I've been able to spend with the residents has been the most satisfying. We have done a lot of new activities, and I have been heavily involved in them. I was with a group of residents that went to the Cain Park Arts Festival, something they hadn't done in a number of years. The men's club went out to see a Lake County Captains baseball game, which was a great experience. Getting to know the people who live here and being involved in these types of outings has been a special experience for me.

We have truly great people who call Montefiore and The Weils their home, and I am fortunate to be able to meet them, learn their stories and work with them and their families to make their experience here positive.

**CJN:** What has impressed you the most about Montefiore?

**SV:** I would say it's probably the commitment and dedication of so many people in the community who really love Montefiore and have given so much to it. Family members, board members, donors, our volunteers – they are so dedicated and giving with their time and resources to support the important and meaningful work we do at Montefiore. It's that feeling you get when you walk in the building that this is really a supported place. I have a good relationship with the board. Larry Mack-- Chairman of the Board, and I have developed a very strong relationship.